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SUBJECT: GULF: MINISTERIAL RESOLUTION SIGNED

REF: A) LIMA 4116, B) LIMA 4098

1. CONCERTED EMBASSY EFFORT (REPORTED REFTELS) TO PUSH
GOP FORWARD ON GULF ISSUE WAS APPARENTLY EFFECTIVE AS
ACTING VICE MINISTER OF MINES INFORMED ECON OFF MAY 24
THAT MINISTER LA TORRE HAD SIGNED THE NECESSARY
MINISTERIAL RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE VALUATION OF
THE EXPROPRIATED GULF ASSETS. LATER SAME DAY FINANCE
VICE MINISTER KEIL CONFIRMED RECEIPT OF COPY OF
SIGNED MINISTERIAL RESOLUTION AND SAID THAT DRAFT DECREE
LAW COULD NOW GO FORWARD TO COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

2. WHEN ECON OFF REMINDED KEIL OF AMBASSADOR'S
MAY 18 CONVERSATION WITH NEW FINANCE MINISTER PIAZZA
(REF A) AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT PIAZZA WOULD PRESENT
DRAFT LAW TO COUNCIL AT ITS NEXT SESSION, KEIL
SAID THAT NORMAL PROCEDURE REQUIRES THAT DRAFT BE
PRESENTED NOT ONLY BY PIAZZA BUT ALSO MINISTERS OF
ENERGY AND MINES AND FOREIGN RELATIONS. KEIL
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EXPLAINED THAT SINCE THREE MINISTERS (FINANCE,
ENERGY AND MINES AND FOREIGN RELATIONS) HAD BEEN
INSTRUCTED BY THE COUNCIL TO FIND SOLUTION TO GULF
CASE, THEY HAD TO MAKE THE FORMAL PRESENTATION OF
THE DRAFT TO THE COUNCIL. ECON OFF EXPRESSED
CONCERN THAT THIS PROCEDURE WOULD DELAY CONSIDERA-
TION OF DRAFT LAW UNTIL AFTER MRS. CARTER'S VISIT,

SINCE FOREIGN MINISTER WILL BE OUT OF COUNTRY FROM
MAY 24 UNTIL JUNE 2. IN RESPONSE TO ECON OFF
QUESTION, KEIL INDICATED THAT THIS PROCEDURE COULD
NOT BE MODIFIED. HE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT NO
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETING WILL BE HELD TUESDAY,
MAY 31 SO THAT IN ANY EVENT DRAFT DECREE LAW CANNOT
BE CONSIDERED UNTIL AFTER VISIT OF MRS. CARTER.

3. EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TO IMPRESS UPON CONTACTS
IN ALL THREE MINISTRIES THE IMPORTANCE OF PLACING
DRAFT LAW ON AGENDA OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING
(WHENEVER IT IS HELD) NOW THAT ALL OTHER BUREAUCRATIC
HURDLES ALLEGEDLY HAVE BEEN CLEARED. WE ARE ALSO ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN
COPY OF MINISTERIAL RESOLUTION.
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